(b) whether it is a fact that during the last two years area is being expanded of and in one case a pucca structure on a bigger arc has been constructed;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether such structures would not be an obstacle to the expansion of ITO bridge for which foundation was laid recently; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) DDA has reported that one small temple, occupying an area of 15-20 Sq. Yds., has been constructed on the bank of river Yamuna facing Indraprastha power house near ITO bridge, Delhi. 3/4 idols of God have been kept around this temple subsequently.

(d) and (e) No report to the effect that the temple is obstructing the expansion of the bridge, has so far been received by the DDA from the Project Authority.

720. (*Transferred to 10th September,* 1991).

Shortage of Rakes

721. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have failed to move sufficient quantities of foodgrains in time from other States for supply to P.D.S. resulting in great hardships to flood affected people and the tribals people of Orissa in July, August, 1991;

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that there is acute shortage of rakes with railways for such purposes; and

(c) if so, what steps Government have taken in this regard so that supply of foodgrains to flood affected States should not be delayed and held up in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) to (c) Loading of foodgrains from Northern Railway by Food Corporation of India for supply of Public Distribution System in other States including Orissa has been adversely affected since the 3rd week of June, 1991 due to serious labour problems of Food Corporation of India. There is no shortage of rakes with the railways for loading of foodgrains.

Setting up of Steel Plant with Private Collaborator

722. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to set up any steel plants in the country with private collaboration during the Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(b) if so, whether the Government of Orissa has submitted any such proposal for a second steel plant to be set up in the State with private collaboration; and

(c) what are the details thereof and reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) to (c) No, Sir. However, M|s. Industrial Promotion and Investment Corporation of Orissa Ltd. (IPICOL), a State Government Undertaking of Government of Orissa, submitted an application for a Letter of Intent for setting up of a 3 million tonne per annum steel plant at Sukinda Tehsil, District Cuttack, Orissa, in the joint sector. The proposal was under examination, but in view of the recent amendments in the licensing requirements, issue of LOI for industrial licence would not be necessary.